

BROOKLYN TABERNACLE

BIBLE STUDY ON

THE FRIEND OF SINNERS.

Luke 18:9-14; 10:1-10—June 14.

"I came not to call the righteous, but sinners."—Mark 2:17.

IT is possible of today's lesson reveals the heart attitude of some of the Pharisees and of the despised publicans. Two men went up to the Temple to pray. From God's standpoint both were sinners, and needed forgiveness of sins. But the Pharisee trusted in his own imperfect works, and asked no forgiveness; the publican, however, realized his blemishes and prayed for mercy.

We must not get the impression that God is more pleased with those who live in sin than with those who strive to the best of their ability to live in harmony with His Law.

On the contrary, we must all realize that we come short of perfection and need Divine mercy.

The sinner who recognizes this fact is more pleasing to God than is the more moral person who fails to see his blemishes.

Jesus referred to this same error of the Pharisees at another time, saying, "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance." He thus sought to call attention to the fact that although the Pharisees claimed to be righteous, yet they were not so. Until they should learn that they and all other members of the Adamic race were sin-sick and needed the remedy which only the Redeemer can give, they were not in condition to come to Him for forgiveness.

Not realizing their need, the Pharisees did not become Jesus' disciples, and thereby missed a great blessing.

On the contrary, the majority of His followers were publicans and sinners.

People who had not been living proper lives, but who earnestly acknowledged their faults, turned from sin, accepted healing from the Good Physician and became His followers.

A Little Man—a Big Heart.

The latter part of our lesson relates to Jesus' journey from Jericho to Jerusalem, just prior to His crucifixion.

Multitudes were journeying in the same direction, going up to the Passover.

Zacchaeus, a rich man of that vicinity, was curious to see Jesus. He

was not a Pharisee; he did not profess holiness of life. He was a tax collector for the Roman government, a publican. On this account he was despised, and declared to be disloyal to Judaism.

Small of stature, Zacchaeus was unable to see Jesus because of the crowd.

Therefore he ran ahead and climbed a tree, to have a good view.

He passed by. When Jesus



The Pharisee and the Publican.

That Which Was Lost."

Our lesson closes with Jesus' words, "For the Son of Man came to seek and to save that which was lost."

Some who deny that Adam was created perfect, who deny his fall from Divine favor and who deny that redemption

was necessary, have sought to sustain their position by saying that Jesus never referred to man's fall, although the Gene-

sis account tells of it, and St. Paul and other Apostles particularly mention it. But in this text we have Jesus' own statement as to why He came into the world.

Humanity came to be man's Redeemer to aid in recover, restore, that which was lost.

Accomplishing life was lost, Eden was lost, human perfection was lost, the name of the Divine character was lost. These could not be recovered.

Humanity, all of whom were under sentence—the curse. But God's omniscience arranged a Plan, whereby man came into the world and gave

Himself a Ransom for all—to be testi-

fied in due time. The very fact that

the Master speaks of His work as a

ransoming one (Matthew 20:29) cor-

roborates the declaration that man

needed to be ransomed from death.

Remember

many added sub-

scriptions to make this

everybody

remember

the accepted distance from the earth

to the moon. We had in 1911, the last year in which figures for all

countries are available, on the earth's surface, 639,981 miles of rail-

way divided as follows: United States

241,199, Europe 207,483 and other

countries 191,359. The United States has 38 per cent of the world's mileage,

seven per cent of the estimated popu-

lation and about five per cent of the

area. The total capital invested in the

railways of the world is \$50,000,000,

000, divided as follows: United States

\$13,000,000,000 Europe \$25,650,000,000

and other countries \$11,350,000,000.

Reduced to a mileage basis the cap-

italization is as follows: The world

\$78,000, United States \$54,000, Europe

\$24,000, and other countries \$59,000.

A comparison of rates is equally as

interesting and the United States

takes the lead in economy and ser-

vices. The average rate per ton per

hundred mile haul is as follows:

United States 76c, Great Britain \$2.53,

France \$1.44, Germany \$1.44, Russia

92c, Austria-Hungary \$1.36, Italy \$2.36

and Switzerland \$2.52.

The average yearly pay of all rail-

road employees in the principal coun-

tries is as follows: United States

\$757, Germany \$392, Italy \$345, Aus-

tria \$322, Great Britain \$279, France

\$260 and Russia \$204.

About 30 per cent, or 188,000 miles,

of the railways of the world are

government owned. About half the

railway mileage of Europe is govern-

ment owned.

A comparison of the economy, in

time and money and the conveniences

will be made in a later

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